GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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MISUSE OF FUNDS IN PURCHASE OF GYPSY VEHICLES
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that the funds were misused while the Gypsy vehicles were purchased for the ASI few years back;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken against the guilty officials;

(c) the number of vehicles purchased and the bill amounts for the same;

(d) the details of funds allocated there for;

(e) whether the Government have called for any sealed tenders from reputed automobile dealers while purchasing the gypsy vehicles for the ASI; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM & CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) to (f) During the year 1999-2000, Archaeological Survey of India purchased 16 (sixteen) Maruti Gypsy vehicles at the cost of Rs.68,24,384/- from Maruti Udhyog Ltd. at DGS&D rate with the approval of the Ministry of Finance.